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**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 85**  
**46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003**

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**A JOINT MEMORIAL**  
**REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS TO PRESENT TO THE**  
**APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE A PLAN FOR VETERAN- OWNED SMALL BUSINESS**  
**GROWTH IN NEW MEXICO.**

**WHEREAS, small businesses drive the nation's economy; and**  
**WHEREAS, veterans of the nation's armed services, because**  
**of their professionalism, leadership and high technology**  
**skills, are ideally suited to start successful small**  
**businesses; and**

**WHEREAS, with the assistance of the national veterans**  
**business development corporation, the New Mexico veterans'**  
**service commission is identifying training and capital and**  
**affinity business potential for veteran entrepreneurs in New**  
**Mexico; and**

**WHEREAS, the national veterans business development**

1 corporation was created by congress and has received federal  
2 funding to help veterans succeed as business owners;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the director of veterans' affairs be  
5 requested to present to the appropriate committee a plan for  
6 veteran-owned small business growth in New Mexico; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
8 transmitted to the director of veterans' affairs, the secretary  
9 of economic development and the governor.

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